SENATE BILL 2622 By McNally

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 55, Chapter 21, Part 1, relative to disabled drivers and passengers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 55-21-105, is amended by adding a new subsection thereto, as follows:

(e) Any business, firm or other person transacting business that provides specially marked parking spaces pursuant to this part shall also provide van-accessible parking spaces. Van-accessible parking spaces shall have an access aisle that is no less than ninety-six inches (96") to accommodate a wheelchair lift, have vertical clearance to accommodate van height at the van parking space and adjacent access aisle, and have an additional sign or marking identifying the parking space as "van accessible". The provisions of this subsection shall only apply to businesses, firms or persons conducting business with the public from a permanent location who provide specially marked parking spaces after the effective date of this act.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2006, the public welfare requiring it.